



Shawnee National Forest  
Hiker/Equestrian Trails Map  
Trails Designation Project Area  
Eagle Creek and Big Grand Pierre Creek  
Watersheds  
Herod Vicinity

25% of proceeds of this map support trail improvements

**Where Can I Tie My Horse?**

Horses should not be tied directly to trees. Highlines have been constructed by volunteers in the following locations to provide places for equestrians to stop and tie off their horses. When stopping outside of one of these areas please cross tie or otherwise restrain your animals out of reach of live trees.

Big Grand Pierre Watershed Highlines			
Highline	Latitude	Longitude	Access Trail
Rocky Top	37° 31' 32" N	88° 27' 14" W	177, 001
One Horse Gap	37° 31' 06" N	88° 27' 35" W	001, 106, 175, 177
Lookout Point	37° 32' 37" N	88° 26' 34" W	169
Grand Pierre	37° 31' 15" N	88° 25' 56" W	179

Eagle Creek Watershed Highlines			
Highline	Latitude	Longitude	Access Trail
Garden of the Gods	37° 36' 20" N	88° 23' 07" W	108K
Buzzard's Point	37° 36' 02" N	88° 21' 33" W	001
Initial Tree	37° 36' 25" N	88° 17' 47" W	150, 005
Tanner Hill	37° 36' 11" N	88° 18' 54" W	180
Lake View	37° 37' 15" N	88° 16' 10" W	146
Overlook	37° 36' 09" N	88° 19' 28" W	006
Vulture Bluff	37° 37' 22" N	88° 16' 03" W	188

The Friends of the Shawnee National Forest help to educate, support scientific inquiry, build environmental stewardship, promote volunteer activities and recruitment, connect communities, and develop recreation and interpretation on the Forest.

**Non-Native Invasive Species (NNIS)**

If I'm a trail user, why should I care?

Non-native invasive species pose a threat to public lands all over the country. These species alter native plant and animal communities and eliminate opportunities for anglers, mushroomers, birders, hunters and other nature lovers.

**What can I do to limit the spread of NNIS?**

Please help your public land managers to stop the spread of non-native invasive species by adopting the following practices:

- Learn to identify non-native invasive species, especially the ones depicted here, and watch for them.
- Check for seeds and plant parts and clean equipment, boots, gear clothing and animals, including dogs, prior to riding or hiking, between trips and, before leaving an infested area.
- Avoid transporting firewood or other materials that could harbor emerald ash borers or other invasive pests.

**Safety Tips**

- Let a family member or friend know where you are going and when you expect to return.
- Take extra precautions during hunting season.
- Many of the trails depicted on this map intersect with roads. If you choose to use a road as a part of your hike or ride be aware of traffic laws and traffic safety.
- Expect the unexpected in the backcountry. Consider carrying the following safety items among the gear you take to the back country:
  - A map and compass or GPS unit (and the ability to use them)
  - Extra food and drinking water
  - Rain gear
  - Extra clothing layers during cooler seasons
  - Flashlight
  - Cell Phone
  - Pocketknife
  - First-aid kit
  - Protection from sun and insects
  - Waterproof matches or a lighter

**Remember To...**

Share the Trail

**Shawnee National Forest Rules for the Big Grand Pierre Creek, Eagle Creek, Lusk Creek and Upper Bay Creek Watersheds**  
(the areas depicted on this map)

**Trail Signs and Symbols**

**Non-wilderness Trail Signs**

County Road #423  
Upper Bay Creek Trail #30

**Wilderness Trail Signs**

River to River Trail #001  
Lusk Creek Trl #457  
High Point

- Many trail junctions are signed.
- The following reassurance markers are used at intervals along the trail.
  - White Diamond – Hiker/Equestrian trails
  - Blue Square over Blue Rectangle by itself or inside of a White Diamond – River to River Trail (Hiker/Equestrian)

**Horse Highline Areas**

To prevent resource damage (damage to live trees, plants, soils, etc.) equestrians are to use designated highline areas, see map for locations.

**Authorized Stock Use**

Within the boundaries depicted on this map, authorized routes for riding, leading, or tying-off a horse or other pack or saddle animal include:

- Designated hiker/equestrian trails
- Highline Areas identified on this map
- Equestrian trailheads
- Roads displayed on this TDP Trails Map

For more information about these restrictions or for a list of roads that form the boundary of the closure area, contact the Shawnee National Forest Headquarters at (618) 253-7114 or Hidden Springs Ranger District at (618) 658-2111.

**Legend**  
Scale 1:48000

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Parking Area	Existing Roads*
Parking Area (Hiker Only)	* Road conditions vary widely; many are not passable by motor vehicle
Trailhead (Hiker/Equestrian)	Project Boundary Area
Trailhead (Hiker Only)	Streams
Horse Highline Area	Lusk Creek ZA
Horse Camps	Natural Areas
System Trail (Hiker/Equestrian)	Wilderness Boundary
System Trail (Ride Through Only)	National Forest Land
System Trail (Hiker Only)	Non-National Forest Land
River to River System Trail	Four-Watershed Area
River to River System Trail/Road	

**Color Coding for Labels**

Ride Through Only	Hiker/Equestrian Trailhead	Landmark
Hiker Only	Hiker Only Trailhead	Natural Area
Highline	Lusk Creek Crossing	Private Campground

Forest visitors possibly face inherent risks when hiking or riding, such as adverse weather conditions, isolation, physical hazards, and lack of rapid communications. Search and rescue efforts may not be as rapid as expected in an urban setting.

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